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SUBJECT: VISIT OF POLISH MINISTER OF THE MACHINE INUSTRY

1. TADEUSZ WRZASZCZYK, POLISH MINISTER OF THE MACHINE INDUSTRY, WILL VISIT THE UNITED STATES FROM JUNE 16 TO JUNE 27. THIS MESSAGE OUTLINES SOME OF THE REASONS WHY THIS VISIT WILL HAVE AN IMPORTANT INFLUENCE ON THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION AND TRADE BETWEEN THE VARIOUS SECTORS OF U.S. INDUSTRY AND POLAND.

2. ON JUNE 17 AND 18, THE MINISTER WILL VISIT THE RCA FACTORY AT SCRANTON AND THE CORNING GLASS FACTORY IN CORNING, NEW YORK, FOR DISCUSSIONS ABOUT A CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A COLOR-TELEVISION PICTURE-TUBE FACTORY IN POLAND. RCA WOULD SUPPLY THE ELECTRONIC KNOW-HOW AND CORNING WOULD SUPPLY A GLASS MILL FOR THE PRODUCTION OF THE SPECIAL GLASS REQUIRED FOR THE TUBES. A DIRECTOR OF THE UNITRA FTO TOLD THE EMBASSY JUNE 13 THAT A CONTRACT HAS ACTUALLY BEEN WRITTEN FOR THIS ENTIRE PROJECT, BUT THE FINAL PRICE, WHICH WILL BE ABOUT \$50 MILLION, AND THE FINANCING ARE STILL TO BE DETERMINED. THE UNITRA OFFICIAL SAID THAT IT IS POSSIBLE, BUT NOT LIKELY, THAT THE CONTRACT

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WILL BE SIGNED DURING THE MINISTER'S VISIT.

3. ON JUNE 19, THE MINISTER WILL VISIT THE NORTON CO.
PLANT IN WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS, THE NORTON GRINDING-
WHEEL PLANT IS OF INTEREST BECAUSE IT IS SIMILAR TO THE
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